

NH DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS POLICY AND PROCEDURE DIRECTIVE	CHAPTER <u>General Administration</u> STATEMENT NUMBER <u>1.17</u>
SUBJECT: AGENCY MISSION	EFFECTIVE DATE <u>06/01/05</u>
PROPONENT: <u>Stephen J. Curry, Commissioner</u> <i>Name/Title</i> <u>Commissioner's Office</u> <u>271-5606</u> <i>Title Phone #</i>	REVIEW DATE <u>12/15/06</u> SUPERCEDES PPD# <u>1.17</u> DATED <u>12/15/03</u>
ISSUING OFFICER: <u>Stephen J. Curry, Commissioner</u>	DIRECTOR'S INITIALS _____ DATE _____ APPENDIX ATTACHED: YES _____ NO _____
REFERENCE NO: See reference section on last page of PPD.	

- I. **PURPOSE:**
To establish a policy that defines the Department of Corrections' mission.
- II. **APPLICABILITY:**
To all staff
- III. **POLICY:**
It is the policy of the Department of Corrections to design a written statement that describes the philosophy, goals and purposes of the agency. This statement is reviewed annually and updated if necessary.
Each Division will design a mission for their area and issue that statement as an appendix to this policy.
- IV. **PROCEDURE:**
The mission of the NH Department of Corrections shall be as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS MISSION STATEMENT

TO ENHANCE THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR ITS CITIZENS

TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE CUSTODY AND CONTROL, CORRECTIONAL TREATMENT AND SUPERVISION OF CRIMINAL OFFENDERS THROUGHOUT THE TOTAL CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM INCLUDING PROBATION, PAROLE AND INCARCERATION.

TO PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY FOR OFFENDER REHABILITATION, AND PROMOTE STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PERSONAL GROWTH IN A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT.

REFERENCES:

Standards for the Administration of Correctional Agencies
Second Edition. Standards

2-CO-1A-04

Standards for Adult Correctional Institutions
Fourth Edition. Standards

4-4002

Standards for Adult Community Residential Services
Fourth Edition. Standards

Standards for Adult Probation and Parole Field Services
Third Edition. Standards

3-3008

Other

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DIVISIONAL MISSION STATEMENTS

New Hampshire State Prison for Men Mission Statement

As a component of the criminal justice system and as an agency of state government, protect New Hampshire's citizens and visitors.

In a secure, safe and orderly institution empower the staff to create an environment and an array of programs that encourage:

- * Staff to grow personally and professionally*
- * Inmates to seek self-improvement and provide incentives for those who demonstrate positive change*

Bureau of Community Corrections

As a component of the criminal justice system and as an agency of state government, it is our mission to protect New Hampshire's citizens and visitors.

To empower the staff to create a Community Corrections Program that is safe, secure and orderly that offers an array of program that encourages:

- * Staff to grow personally and professionally*
- * Residents to seek self-improvement and opportunities*

Division of Medical and Forensic Services Mission Statement

To offer offenders/patients opportunities to attain and maintain a functional level of wellness, promote staff development for the provision of Health Services in a safe environment while providing for the public's health and safety.

Secure Psychiatric Unit

To provide a highly professional multi-disciplinary approach to the evaluation, crises intervention, ongoing treatment and discharge planning for both acutely and chronically dangerous patients in a safe and secure involuntary forensic facility serving patients identified from all levels of the criminal justice, mental health, and developmentally disabled service systems consistent with public safety needs in a cost effective manner.

Division of Administration Mission Statement

To enhance public order and safety by providing cost effective and efficient support to all components of the Department in the management of fiscal resources, personnel resources, automated information services, contracts, grants, property, offender records, strategic planning and promotion of staff development and personal growth.

Lakes Region Facility Mission Statement

To effect community and institutional safety through provision of innovative programming by trained staff meeting the needs of appropriate offenders expediting a timely and safe release to the community.

Division of Field Services Mission Statement

To enhance public safety, in cooperation with all components of the criminal justice system, by supervising assigned offenders, enforcing the conditions of their sentence while facilitating appropriate early terminations, by providing recommendations to the Courts and Parole Board that maximize the utilization of safe and cost effective sentencing alternatives, and by encouraging offenders to accept responsibility for their self-improvement.

New Hampshire State Prison for Women Mission Statement

To uphold the preservation of public safety by controlling offenders through institutional housing in a safe, structured, disciplined and humane environment. To encourage offenders to seek opportunities and incentives for self-improvement while providing staff continuing training and education to seek professional development, creating a unified team with pride, integrity and commitment.

Northern New Hampshire Correctional Facility Mission Statement

Provide a safe and secure environment that will: Challenge individuals to develop their potential through personal growth. Promote meaningful learning opportunities that nurture responsible decision-making, recognize and support development of emotional maturity and advance personal responsibility. Honor individual strengths, respect and embrace the commitment to disciplined teamwork as essential to safe and efficient prison management.